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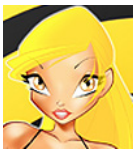

By WarhoundOne

We'd all like to say a very BIG thank you to the Administrators and Staff of the site who give us their continued support for KATalyst Magazine, and for making this the un-Official Kickass Torrents Magazine.

A ***BIG*** thank you to **Mr.Gooner** for the approval to spotlight some of his ebooks as well as allowing us to hold a contest, and award reputation points to the winners.

Thank you as well to everyone included on the KATalyst team, and anyone who has helped along the way.

We hope all of you reading this enjoy the Magazine, and we'll keep it going *every other month* if it gets enough downloads and views. Please give us your comments in the Feedback Thread below.

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The Feedback Thread is located here

CONTEST

This month we decided to try and get more KAT users involved by creating a contest for anyone to participate in. On the front page of this issue, hidden somewhere, is a KAT icon. It is exactly the same size you see here.

The process is simple. If you can locate this icon, send me a PM through the site and you could be the winner of some site reputation points. KAT staff members may participate but will not be awarded rep points.

We are using the PM system as it will provide me with a timestamp, so I can tell who are the winners. Winners will be the first 5 people who can correctly provide the icon's location. First member to locate it will receive 1000 reputation points, and the next 4 users will receive 500 points each.

If we get enough users participating, we will continue to run this contest with each subsequent release. We hope you enjoy the contest. You can send your PM's to the link below.

WarhoundOne

Silly Jokes

From KAT users for KAT users

A couple wants to have a quickie but their son is in the apartment.
So they tell him to go out on the balcony and tell them what's going on in the neighborhood while they do their thing.
He proceeds to the balcony and begins reporting what he sees.
"Looks like the Jefferson's got a new dog." he said. "Oh! And the Allan's are moving out." he exclaimed.
"Look at that. Looks like the Johnsons are having sex."
The couple stops dead. "How do you know the Johnsons are making love?" said the boy's father.
After a short time the boy replies, "Because their kid is out on the balcony too."

A man turned to his girlfriend and said "Sweetheart, why don't you let me know when you have an orgasm?"
"I would" she said, "but you're never there.

Food inspector in a bakery catches Paddy using his false teeth to do the design on the edge of apple pies.
She roars "Have you not got a tool?"
"Yes", replies Paddy", but I use that for the doughnuts!"

A police officer pulls a man over for speeding. As the officer approaches the car he can see that the man is very anxious about something.
"Good afternoon Sir. Do you know why I stopped you?"
"Yes, officer...I know I was speeding -- but it is a matter of life or death."
"Oh, really? How's that?" said the officer.
"There's a naked woman waiting for me at home."
"I don't see how that is a matter of life or death." the officer said.
The man said..."If I don't get home before my wife does, I'm a dead man!

My missus dressed up as a policewoman last night and arrested me for being good in bed.....
After 2 minutes she dropped the charge due to lack of evidence.

I was showing my doctor the rash on me willie today.
He seemed pretty uncomfortable and didn't want to touch it.
He just said make an appointment at the surgery tomorrow, and walked off with his family & carried on shopping.

After a day fishing on Lake Michigan, a fisherman is walking from the pier carrying two brown trout in a bucket. He is approached by a Conservation Officer who asks him for his Fishing License.
The fisherman says to the Warden, "I was not fishing and I did not catch these browns, they are my pets. Every day I come down to the water and dump them into the water and take them for a walk to the end of the pier and back. When I'm ready to go I whistle and they jump back into the bucket and we go home.
The officer did not believe him, and reminds him that it is illegal to fish without a License.
The fisherman turns to the Warden and says, "If you don't believe me then watch," as he throws the trout back into the water.
The Warden says, "Now whistle to your fish and show me that they will jump out of the water and into the bucket."
The fisherman turns to the officer and says, "What fish?

Anime Reviews

by Atikiller

GANTZ

Gantz:
Before watching this anime I thought it was something amazing, awesome and everything but, of course, I got disappointed (as usual), about how things started and how they ended. This "review" is gonna be from a completely personal point of view and might contain spoilers.

Story:
Starting with the story, it all started well enough when someone had to save the homeless, that someone being our hero and his friend of course. During the first episode we get introduced to new characters and the appearance of a villain, more of a green alien with an onion head, which is kind of creative but such creativity couldn't save the story. An alien appears, it needs to be killed, people die, a lot of people die, then someone decides to shoot it, they win and go back to the apartment with new characters, all amazed because of the cool suits and weapons. (since almost everyone died of course). Anyway, stuff happens, story isn't bad but isn't good, decent if nothing. The blood and sex scenes were a plus for me but I guess they're not for everyone, so, just pass it if you're not into the stuff.

Characters:
Involved in our story are characters, and our main one is lame of course, the girl he fell for likes his friend and he gets boners a bit too often. The main ones are those three, Kishimoto Kei, Katou Masaru and Kurono Kei. Kishimoto is lame and selfish and fights only when things get desperate. Katou is the good guy and protects the weak, the weak being Kurono in this case, and that says it all I guess. The characters in Gantz were nothing special, did nothing really catchy that makes you remember them. The art was good, design is decent but it's the development that disappointed me . Character development is almost absent, they're the same through the whole anime except for some "rare" moments which were worth it, like in fights and such.

Music/Sound:
Music, mmm, didn't really pay much attention to it while seeing people get killed by aliens or main characters arguing about who's gonna shoot first but it was good, it fit the scenes and the whole theme, I liked the opening. Nothing else to say about voice acting, unless we're talking about the dubbed version.
To wrap it up, the only thing I can say about Gantz is potential. It had a lot of potential but failed my expectations and most people's I think. Watching made me wanna read the manga and compare it to the anime which I've yet to do. Will do that soon and let you know if you're interested. If you're looking for a "kinda" good sci-fi/gore/mystery title then Gantz is for you. If you can't stand blood and violence then you better pass.

NON NON BIYORI

Non Non Biyori:
This is one of those titles that I just decided to follow then fell in love with. Fell in love with everything about it that it made me re-watch some episode to relive the experience once again, and actually planning to re-watch some more of it.

Story:
Story is about four little girls' daily lives that starts with Hotarun moving from Tokyo to the countryside then becoming friends with Komachi, Natsun and Ren-chon at school since they study at the same class even if their ages are different. We get to follow what they do and how they do it with no major plot twists or anything of the sort because of the peaceful aura that surrounds their little world, but it surprisingly never got boring. It's relaxing and soothing instead and more important, very enjoyable. It surely is not your typical Slice of Life anime.

Characters:
Main characters are our four girls, Renge (Ren-chon), Komari (Komachi), Hotaru (Hotarun) and Natsumi (Natsun). Renge being the youngest, she's the most adorable and the one I consider best of the four. Her facial expressions are priceless and she says stuff you'd never expect someone her age to say, she's a cute little first grader after all. Hotaru, a 5th grader, tall and mature for her age, gets quickly used to the other three and likes her senpai, Komari, who is a bit too self-conscious because she's small for a 9th grader, which makes her try and act more mature, and fails of course. Her younger sister, Natsumi, is a lazy girl that hates homework and hard work. The four of them make a nice combo that results in a lovely and sometimes funny atmosphere that never got boring while watching it (yes, I'm saying it again~). The characters were very well developed, even the supporting characters made an impact,, and they all left an impression that ensured you would remember them for a long time.

Sound/Music:
Voice acting was music to my ears, very well done as I expected, especially (yes, you guessed right) Ren-chon's! The music is very relaxing and suits the peaceful countryside theme, mixed with the beautiful background art, it just makes it very beautiful and enjoyable in more than one way.

Art:
As I stated above, very well done characters, amazing backgrounds and sceneries (that made me take several screenshots actually) which adds more immersion into that peaceful world when mixed with the amazing soundtrack.
All in all, Non Non Biyori is a package full of everything that is bound to make you feel relaxed and feel good by doing nothing more than following the adventures of four little girls. Expect nothing and you'll enjoy it more. It's not the usual slice of life, it's something beyond it, it's something beautiful.

The True Expendables

I was thinking of Beau Geste, the movie with Van Damme, and countless other movies portraying the Legion as a romantic unit to be in. I get PM after PM from people on how it actually was, especially after I write another blog about it all. You want romance? Find a good woman and give her the best of you that you can be, if you are trying to find romance in the Legion, this will not be a white wedding for you.

France's Empire has crumbled but after 180 years we are still here. The only difference between the old days and the new is that we do not accept the murderers and rapists anymore. Instead we accept the husbands who cannot afford the alimony anymore, and the people who are heavy in debt with credit cards and simply want to disappear, the most worrisome of the lot is the younger Call of Duty generation who think that war is a game but as a matter of fact, they are soft and the imprint of the lounge takes a long time to wipe from their butts. When you join you have to change your name still but nowadays you can go back to your old identity after a year of service, which I did myself.

So what does the Legion offer you, is that what you ask ? Nothing more or less than the hardest life you can imagine. You are alone, apart from your brothers in arms, you cannot marry or have kids, if you do and get found out, you will get wiped from the Legion and access to France revoked for the rest of your life. You get taught French, you cannot use your old language anymore, ever, while in the Legion.

Where does the Legion recruit ? We usually go to those places where there is economic hardship and social unrest, so at the moment, Southern Europe, Balkan states and South America and of course as always, Africa. America does not remain untouched even though we cannot recruit there officially, of course.

After 3 years, you can get yourself French citizenship, if you are not already. There is of course a much faster way of doing this and that is by getting yourself shot in battle, you can then apply for "Français par le sang versé", which translates to "French by blood spilled".

What else does the Legion offer? Adventure is what I thought when I joined as a young boy, and boy did I get adventure. Having been to all corners of the world, officially and sometimes unofficial (helping America in the first few weeks in Somalia for example).

But what exactly does the Legion offer you? To me, the Legion has offered coming into my own, discovering who I am, the harshness of everyday life. The rigid regiment of the daily routine, the honour and loyalty shown between men of 140+ nations towards each other, having each other's back, no matter what happens, solidarity and trust in your fellow man.

All those things are part of the recipe to survive. In my last blog I mentioned it takes no skill to dodge a bullet, simply the one with my name on it never got fired. Going to battle for the first time cannot be compared to anything, relying solely on those men who have already had dozens of tours in different regions of the globe, adapting to whatever comes your way, all that is what the Legion is about.

We don't take prisoners, we do not conform to the Geneva Convention, we have our own Laws of War which far outweigh the stipulations made in the Geneva Convention. As mentioned before, some see us as criminals, as mercenaries, as murderers, as sadists and even masochists, to even be in the Legion. But all that is so far removed from the actual truth, it is indeed like comparing apples with pears.

We are the best equipped, toughest elite fighting force in the world, who at no time in our history has surrendered or given up on any goal at hand. Our High Command advises major International Forces about their ideas on how, who, what and where and whether or not something is going to be a winnable situation. Command told the Russians to be careful when they invaded Afghanistan back in the day, the Russians did not listen and look what happened. They were warned that a war against people who are willing to die in the blink of an eye for their cause, and have the means and lands to help them with such would be virtually a lost war from the start.

I could go on and on and on about this, but ultimately I am writing this to answer some of the questions I have gotten from people who have asked me if it is worth it. Honestly, I cannot answer that question with a yes or a no, all I know is that I was born to be a soldier but I would not wish the life in the Legion on anyone. The money is great, especially when you start climbing in rank but money is not everything. If you want to join the Legion, you will have to do it from a sense of wanting to serve, to give yourself for whatever Command tells you to do, to be Expendable at the whim of an officer. You have to realize you are not 'you' in the Legion, you are one of many, hence the name Legion is very appropriate.

If you have more questions, always feel free to contact me here at KAT .

By OptimusPr1me

OLDERTHANGOD'S STORY PAGE

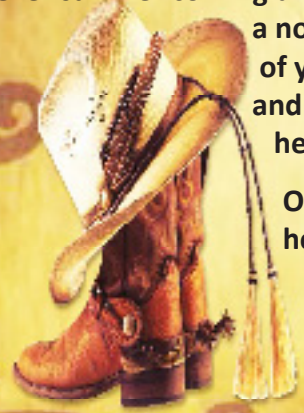
GUNFIGHTERS 3

With one swift stroke of the knife, the Sheriff severed all the laces running up the back of her bodice until it fell away and hit the ground in front of her. She let out a long deep sigh, adjusted her shirt, jacked the lever of the Winchester to eject the empty shell, and quickly re-loaded with a fresh cartridge. Her father had often told her, 'if you carry a gun, keep it loaded whenever you can'.

That memory was burned into her brain, and now, 7 years later, after she had buried her father from a fatal bank hold-up which had claimed his life. She remembered so much, and wondered how she had gotten this far on her own. She was sitting at her father's desk, gun and gunbelt on the table in front of her. She was wondering what else was out there, apart from all the death, misery and violence she had grown up with.

The year was 1869, the reconstruction of the South was taking its toll after the Civil War ended, there were looters and beggars, gunslingers and gamblers out there. She had spent the best part of 2 years taking up her father's gun, riding out of town to some remote valley and practicing how to use it for hours at a time. She wasn't a fast gun, but she was deadly accurate with that big old .36 Navy Colt, and rarely needed more than one shot to put down anybody causing a ruckus. It was an unusual gesture for those times, she had pinned on her father's Sheriff badge, and nobody said a word. She never said much, and didn't have too many friends, none of them close, but she did have the respect of the diehards from her Daddy's day that were left in the town, or what was left it.

Most decent folks had moved away, nearly all of them having lost a family member or two. This only left the dregs, migrants mostly, moving from one place to another looking to make a fresh start, usually with a gun instead of their hand out. The Civil War had left some very embittered people, and the hand of friendship was rarely seen, but she kept the trouble to a minimum. She was small, and looked like a boy with long hair, just over 5 feet tall. In those baggy pants and shirt, it easily hid her feminine shape, so they never saw her coming until she was suddenly right there in front of them, with that big gun stuck up under a nostril and her soft voice saying "drop it, or your head goes North without the rest of you". They were usually more amused than scared, until they saw her steely eyes and knew she meant it...twice she had pulled the trigger when they just laughed at her, they died laughing.



One day, in the spring of 1875, she packed her saddlebags, tied a Winchester across her saddle for easy access and rode to the West....and she was never seen again.

That town is still there, it's a ghost town now, sometimes used as a movie set with just one old caretaker looking after the buildings and making the odd repair. Over the bar in the saloon hangs a well used .36 Navy Colt and a shabby corset, a reminder of the last Sheriff to police the town...

An Elite Uploader's Story

With the addition of this new EUL status on KAT I think it's important to switch it up and make sure we include these uploaders in the magazine. For this issue my choice is **deep--60**.

deep--60 was born in England and lived abroad for 40 years. He has just recently moved back to England. Because he lived abroad for so long he knows what it's like to miss your favourite British soaps, so he has made it his mission to specialize in uploading Emmerdale, Corrie and Eastenders for all of those who enjoy the shows as well. Although his uploads are often taken down within 24-48 hours after he has uploaded, (by DMCA) he continues to upload sometimes within an hour of the show finishing in the UK for his fans. I asked him how the takedowns and often unthankful downloaders make him feel and he says his motivation comes from - **"***The small group of people that do find the time to pop by and thank me, but also when I see just how many people do actually download it's enough for me.***"**

Asked what got him started on his journey to EUL his answer is one I have heard from many uploaders – **"***After 3 years of only downloading and not seeding I finally decided I really should start* **'***giving back***'***and I only regret I did not start uploading sooner.***"** **deep--60** has been uploading on KAT for over a year and has never been involved with any other site. He says, **"***I enjoy every day of it.***"**

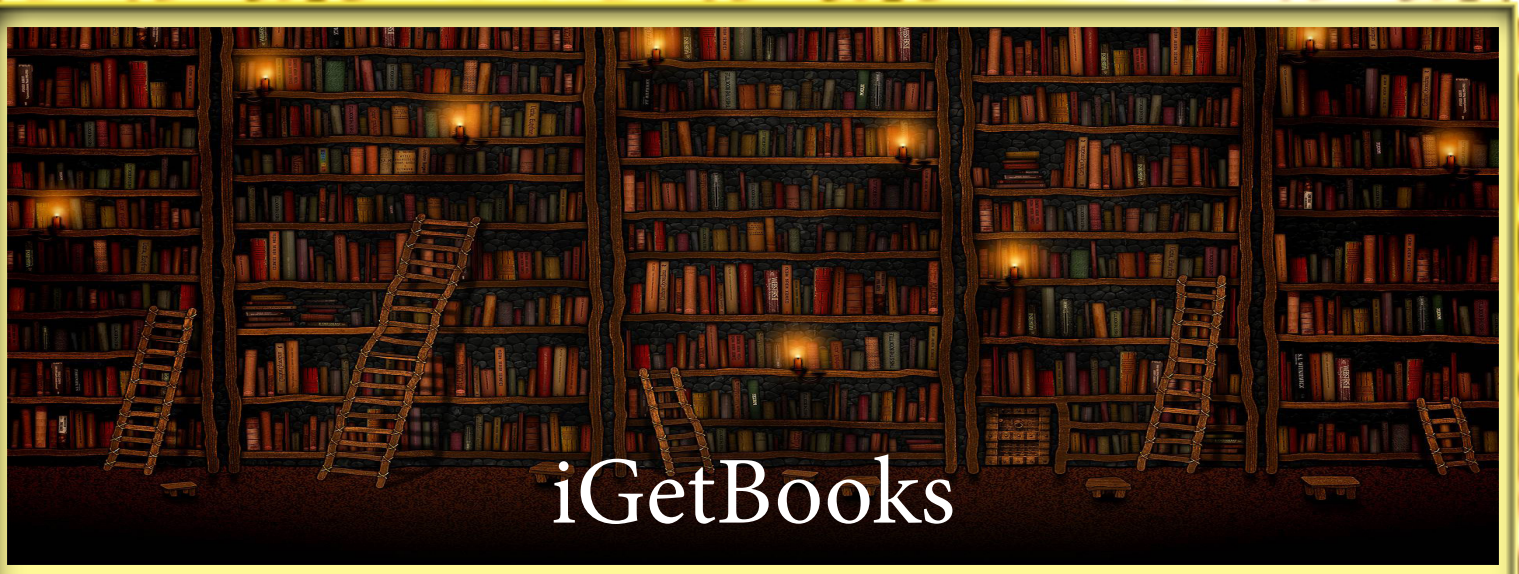
As always, I like to ask if there is anyone that he would like to mention who he admires or who has helped him, and he says **Hand_of_Doom** helps him often and encourages him – as are all of the MODS he has come into contact with since joining KAT. He says he spends so much of his time uploading that he rarely downloads, but he tips his hat to all of the people who **"***take time to upload, seed and provide good quality stuff.***"**

If he could give one piece of advice to a new KAT user he says, **"***be patient, forgiving and friendly…and this will bring its rewards.***"** He lives his own advice on KAT and in my personal experience he is dedicated to his releases, and nothing but kind to his fans.

I encourage anyone who is a fan of Corrie, Emmerdale or Eastenders to visit **deep--60**'s release thread **Click Here**

deep--60 also volunteered a picture of his **"***uploading set up***"** and I thought his fans would like to see where the magic happens!

by DawnStar



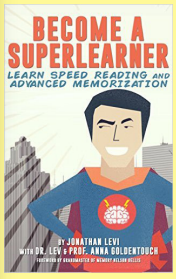
Hello, My name iGetBooks, iGB for short. I started out in the request ebook/audiobook thread; I didnt really think about uploading until I realized they was so much good content that has not been shared yet. Im a sporadic book uploader, I dont upload one specific type of book, I upload textbooks, fiction, non-fiction...etc. I appreciate the feedback I received from the KAT community :). I hope to continue uploading books.
-iGB

Survival Manual Box Set 100 Ultimate Survival Skills - Deborah Phillips

Survival Manual Box Set
BOOK #1: The Ultimate Survival Manual: 100 Best Skills To Keep You Safe And Alert In Every Dangerous Situation
BOOK #2: The Ultimate Survival Manual: Practical Guide to Help You Survive Any Crisis You Might Encounter
BOOK #3: Survival Handbook: Basics for Family Preparedness in a Case of Disaster

Langlais, Eve - When a Beta Roars(A Lion's Pride #1)
Langlais, Eve - When a Beta Roars(A Lion's Pride #2)

A lion's pride isn't defined only by those he commands but also resides with his hair, so when a human dares to butcher Arik's mane, he gets his revenge—and claims her as his mate.
A billionaire CEO and leader of the largest East Coast pride, Arik is a ladies man and a lion. Used to commanding others, and obedience, he can't believe it when a hairdresser with tempting curves chops off a hunk of his precious mane.


BECOME A SUPERLEARNER
LEARN SPEED READING AND ADVANCED MEMORIZATION
BY JONATHAN LEVI
WITH DR. LEV & PROF. ANNA GOLDENTOUCH

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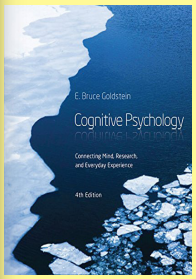
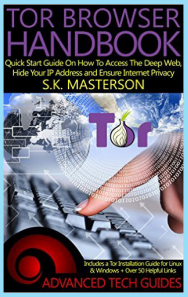
In our rapidly changing and information-driven society, the ability to learn quickly is the single most important skill. Whether you're a student, a professional, or simply embarking on a new hobby, you are forced to grapple with an every-increasing amount of information and knowledge. We've all experienced the frustration of an ever-growing reading list, struggling to learn a new language, or forgetting things you learned in even your favorite subjects.



Cognitive Psychology Connecting Mind, Research and Everyday Experience 4th Edition

Bruce Goldstein's COGNITIVE PSYCHOLOGY: CONNECTING MIND, RESEARCH, AND EVERYDAY EXPERIENCE connects the study of cognition to your everyday life. A wealth of concrete examples and illustrations help you understand the theories of cognition-driving home both the scientific importance of the theories and their relevance to your daily life. This accessible book introduces you to landmark studies and cutting-edge research that define this fascinating field. To help you further experiment with and understand the concepts in the text, you can use COGLAB: THE ONLINE COGNITION LAB.


TOR BROWSER HANDBOOK
Quick Start Guide On How To Access The Deep Web, Hide Your IP Address and Ensure Internet Privacy
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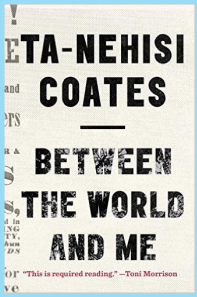
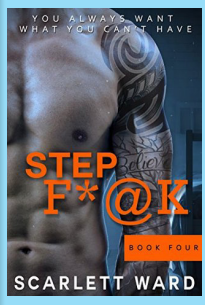
Have you ever been concerned that government organizations are monitoring your online activity?
Are you tired of being pestered with retargeting advertisements showing items you recently browsed?
Do you wish there was a way to keep your information hidden from others?
Do you wish there was a tool that was easy to use that could protect you and your loved ones while on the internet?
If you ever wondered how to use Tor or answered "yes" to any of these questions, then it's important for you to learn the easy steps to take to protect yourself.



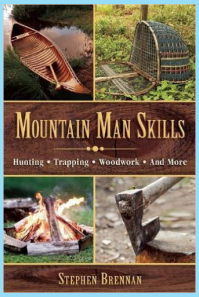
Between the World and Me - Ta-Nehisi Coates

Hailed by Toni Morrison as "required reading," a bold and personal literary exploration of America's racial history by "the single best writer on the subject of race in the United States" (The New York Observer)
In a profound work that pivots from the biggest questions about American history and ideals to the most intimate concerns of a father for his son, Ta-Nehisi Coates offers a powerful new framework for understanding our nation's history and current crisis. Americans have built an empire on the idea of "race," a falsehood that damages us all but falls most heavily on the bodies of black women and men—bodies exploited through slavery and segregation, and, today, threatened, locked up, and murdered out of all proportion. What is it like to inhabit a black body and find a way to live within it? And how can we all honestly reckon with this fraught history and free ourselves from its burden?



Step F*#K: Part Four (A Stepbrother Series Book 4) - Scarlett Ward

Emma
I RAN.
I packed my things up, and I ran. Away from LA. Away from Jai Carter. But that's the thing about running... your past always catches up to you eventually.
Question is, what do I do when my past finally catches me?
JAI
SHE'S GONE.
She's gone, and I never got to tell her how I really felt. How I really feel.
I have to find Emma, before it's too late.
But maybe it already is...



Mountain Man Skills Hunting, Trapping, Woodwork, and More

Crafts and Skills of the Mountain Man is a fascinating, practical guide to the skills that have made the mountain men famous worldwide as outdoorsmen and craftsmen. Readers can replicate outdoor living by trying a hand at making rafts and canoes, constructing tools, and living off the land.

Learn key skills like:

Building a strong fire.
Learning to hunt and butcher your meals.
Creating a safe and solid shelter.
And much more!

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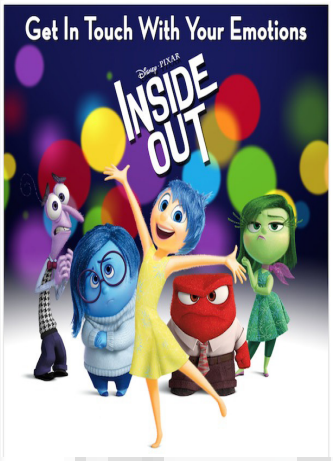
MOVIE REVIEWS

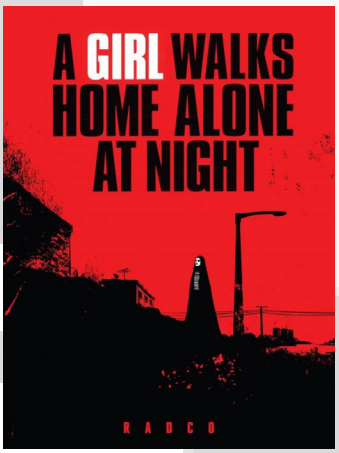
by **shebra**



Inside Out (2015) – (animation); voices by Amy Poehler, Lewis Black, Bill Hader, Mindy Kaling, Phyllis Smith; Dirs. Peter Docter, Ronnie del Carmen

Young Riley is uprooted and moved across the country to begin a new life with her family in San Francisco. The storyline centers around Riley's mind, her "Headquarters" (wordplay intended), where her conflicting emotions interact as she struggles to adjust to her new home, school and community. Excellent voice actors ensure Riley's personified emotions (Fear, Anger, Disgust, Joy, and Sadness) energize a funny, entertaining and often clever script. Within a certain age range, the movie well reflects the perspective of a child who has experienced such a move. While the movie starts strongly, and ends dynamically, it is predictable and tends to drag in the middle. Although some "big" questions are posed, no real epiphanies occur in any of the characters. This film does not have the depth of some other Pixar creations, but is worth viewing for its solid animation and vocal performances. **Rating: 7.5/10**

A Girl Walks Home Alone at Night (2014) – Sheila Vand, Arash Marandi, Marshall Maneh, Dominic Rains Dir. Ana Lily Amirpour

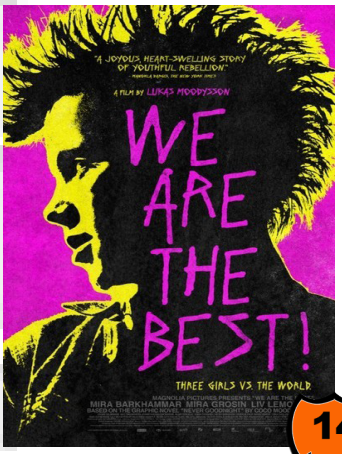


An Iranian art-house horror, this gritty, stylized black-and-white film is the story of a young female vampire. Occasionally displaying naïve curiosity, she is cool, calculating, and embodies a very powerful woman under her chador…….her cape. As she stalks the streets of a ghost town, Bad City, she preys on bad men - a ruthless drug dealer, and the heroin-addicted father of the young man with whom she initiates a relationship. Their bond creates inevitable complications. The cinematography is stellar, the sound track superb, the lighting exquisite. The screenplay is minimalist but not stereotypical. The characters are absorbing. Though the film progresses slowly at times, it is darkly captivating and offers an interesting interpretation of female power in an oppressive society. **Rating: 8/10**

We Are The Best (2014) – (Sweden) Mira Grosin, Live LeMoyne, Mira Barkhammer; Dir. Lukas Moodysson

Set in early '80s Stockholm, this delightful film celebrates three typically rebellious, angst-filled, passionate middle–schoolers who decide to start an all-girl punk rock band. Even though two cannot play any musical instrument, they successfully lure a third who is a talented guitarist, and the oddball trio sets out to make an impression.
Typical themes emerge in the process: first loves, friendship and betrayal, awkward, poignant moments. Negotiating irritating parents, snarky schoolmates, their own quirky insecurities and emotional squalls, the friends execute an uplifting and joyful performance with its own delightful surprise. The actors are charmingly authentic, fresh and funny. Effective editing, a rousing punk soundtrack, and an uncomplicated plot make this sparkling film well worth viewing. **Rating: 9/10**

A Brilliant Young Mind (2014) – Asa Butterfield, Rafe Spall, Sally Hawkins; Dir. Morgan Matthews



Asa Butterfield is superb as the young mathematics prodigy, Nathan, whose autism impacts his relationships with others. Created in the documentary style, the film shadows Nathan as his talent is nurtured by first his mother, and then an eccentric teacher who encourages him to compete for, and succeed in winning a place on, the British International Math Olympiad team. While he loves the exactitude, rationalities, and complexities of math, Nathan discovers there is much to learn and celebrate about absurd, delirious, and unreasonable love. His heart has as much to bring to his life as does his brilliant mind. The director uses flashbacks intelligently and infuses just enough humor and drama to make this an engaging viewing. **Rating: 8/10**

KAT User – Who Are You?

Lukitall has been a user for over a year and has managed to escape notice by many – but our KATalyst Team member **shebra** has a knack for finding interesting people for me to interview, and Lukitall is no exception.

He hails from the USA originally, lived in Germany for 25 years and has now retired after enlisting twice in the US Army, to Panama. His story is one I am excited to tell to KATalyst readers.

He bought his first home in Germany, and two of his sons were born there. He says, "I like to say that I got my drivers license in Chicago, but learned how to drive in Germany! I also learned the difference between quantity of life versus quality of life; important and character-sustaining lesson."

Lukitall is a retired video producer, which I thought sounded like a pretty interesting career. I was surprised to hear how he ended up choosing the path that led him to video production. The reason he was sent to Germany was because he chose to go to tech school and learn electronics. The Army did not send soldiers to stay abreast of new technology – but he had mentors that persuaded him to learn video production, and 20 years later he says he was best producer to come from his organization. He openly admits that it's bragging, but judging by his accomplishments, I think he's earned the right. He has 13 awards for Excellence in (non-military) video production and he had currently been asked to evaluate world-wide productions for the Academy of Interactive & Visual Arts.

Although many may question his decision to live in South America, he says, " The Panamanians are not at war with anyone. The weather is warm. I paid cash for a house so no mortgage payments from social security." He says he was prepared for a bit of culture shock when he decided to move, but South/Central America is very different. At the top of the list – when it rains, it pours there. They do not manufacture anything. You cannot get cars or appliances properly repaired. The power grid is unreliable, which is a challenge. He describes it as an "undisciplined society" and says he could write a book about how different it is there.

Lukitall found KAT through his neighbor. In Panama they have "mucho problemo" streaming videos due to poor ISP performance. He happily reports that he has no problem with KAT downloads. I asked him why he has chosen to not be involved more in the community, and he said, "Navigating through the "how" to get involved has not been easy." He wants to get engaged with fellow KATians and his only hope about people he comes in contact with – "Folks who are witty, not shitty." He is not a showboater, but does know what he's talking about when it comes to telecam, telecine and digital transfers. He also says he welcomes conversations with KAT users.

He feels strongly that it is important that KAT survives where others have failed. He says, "There should be a yearly award competition for excellence in uploading. There should be a trust fund (bail bond type) for those guys who brazenly march into a cinema and record movies."

It is often difficult for me to sum up someone's story in a short article, but I hope the details I have provided are enough to get some people visiting Lukitall's profile to let him know he's one of the family!

You can find Lukitall Here

Silly Jokes

From KAT users for KAT users

A man bought a Lie Detector Robot that slaps people who lie.
He decided to test it at dinner ...
DAD : Son where were you today during school hours?
SON : At school (robot slaps the Son and he immediately changes his mind) Okay I went to the movies!
DAD : Which one?
SON : Harry Potter (robot slaps Son again!) Okay I was watching porn.
DAD : What? When I was your age I didn't even know what porn was! (robot slaps Dad)
MOM : hahahahaha! After all, he is your Son! (robot gives Mom a slap)

The FBI had an open position for an assassin. After all the background checks, interviews and testing were completed, they had narrowed the field down to 3 possible agents. For the final test, the FBI trainees took one of the men to a large metal door and handed him a gun.
'We must know that you will follow your instructions no matter what the circumstances'...said the instructor.
Inside the room you will find your wife sitting in a chair... we need you to kill her'
The first man said, 'You can't be serious. I could never shoot my wife.'
The agent said, 'Then you're not the right man for this job. Take your wife and go home.'
The second man was given the same instructions. He took the gun and went into the room. All was quiet for about 5 minutes. The man came out with tears in his eyes, 'I tried, but I can't kill my wife.'
The agent said, 'You don't have what it takes. Take your wife home.'
Finally, the last man was given the same instructions, to kill his wife. He took the gun and went into the room. Shots were heard, one after another. They heard screaming, crashing, banging on the walls. After a few minutes, all was quiet.
The door opened slowly and there stood the man, wiping the sweat from his brow.
'Some idiot loaded the gun with blanks' he said. 'I had to strangle her to death'.

While examining the body of Mr. Schwartz, a mortician notices that Schwartz has the largest penis he has ever seen.
"I'm sorry, Mr. Schwartz," says the mortician, "But I can't send you to be cremated with a tremendously huge penis like this. It has to be saved for posterity."
The mortician removes the penis, places it in a jar and puts the jar in his briefcase.
When he gets home, he decides to show it to his wife.
"I have something to show you that you won't believe," he says, removing the jar from his briefcase.
"Oh my God!" his wife screams, "Schwartz is dead!"

Husband and wife are waiting at the bus stop with their 9 children.
A blind man joins them after a few minutes.
When the bus arrives, they find it overloaded and only the wife and the 9 kids are able to fit onto it.
So the husband and the blind man decide to walk.
After a while, the husband gets irritated by the ticking of the stick of the blind man as he taps it on the pavement, and says to him...
"Why don't you put a piece of rubber at the end of your stick, that ticking sound is driving me crazy?"
The blind man replies, "If you had put a rubber at the end of YOUR stick, we'd be riding the bus now!"

AllOuttaGum
Song: The Suburbs
Artist: Arcade Fire
Wolverine
Song: Alive
Artist: Pearl Jam
Snowhiter
Song: Honey Bucket
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Artist: Avenged Sevenfold
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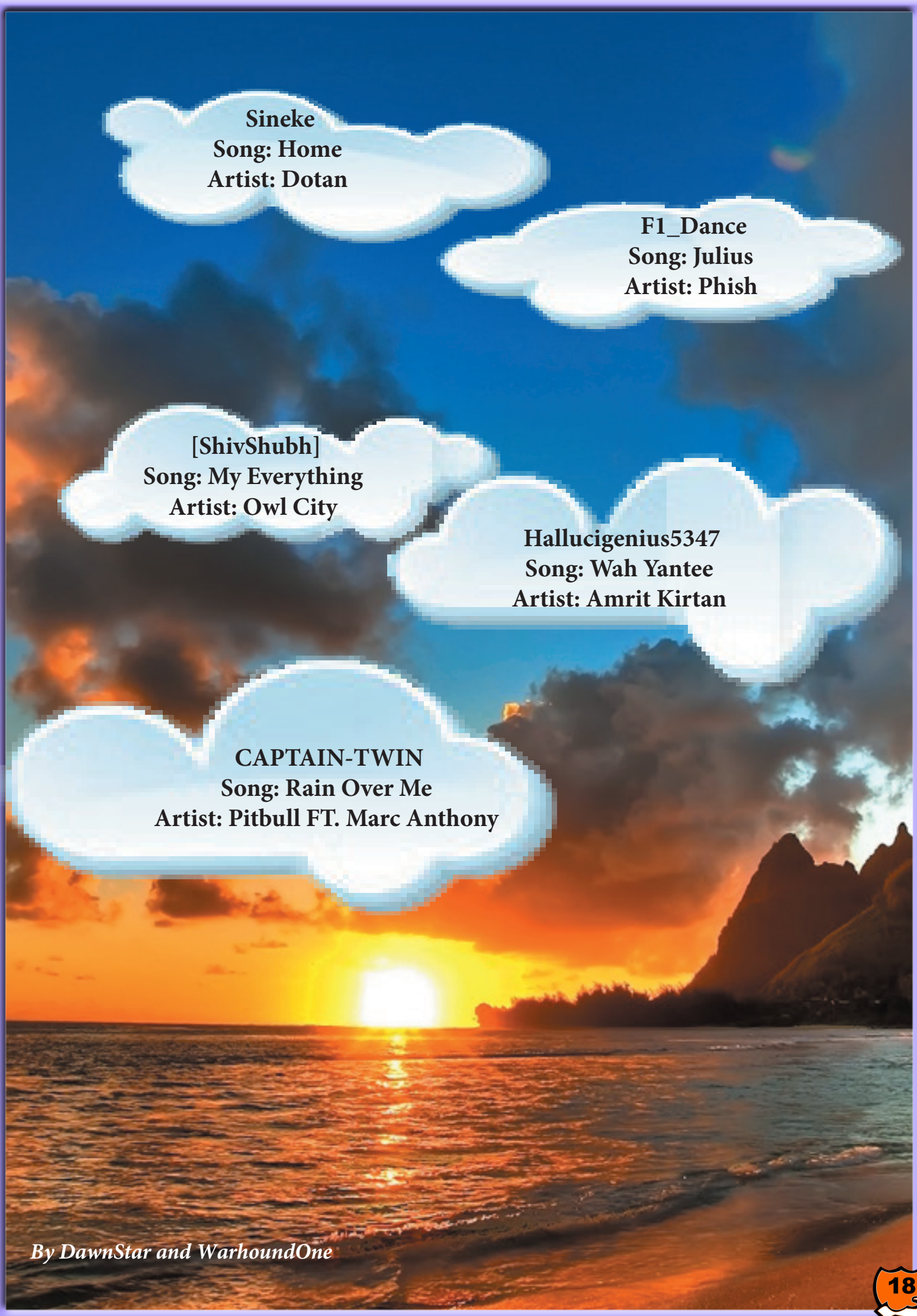
Song: Lose Yourself
Artist: Eminem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Song: Home
Artist: Dotan
F1_Dance
Song: Julius
Artist: Phish
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Song: My Everything
Artist: Owl City
Hallucigenius5347
Song: Wah Yantee
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Book Reviews

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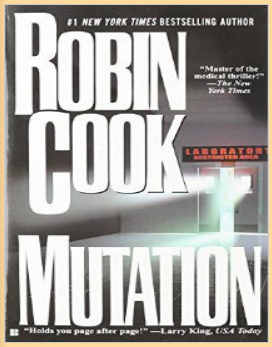
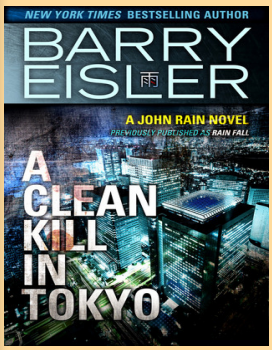


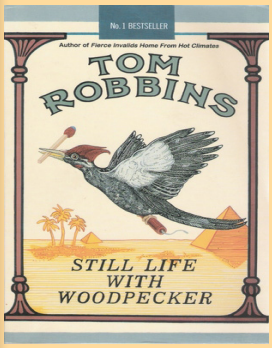
Robin Cook - Mutation

Chucky meets Frankenstein plus Game of Thrones's Hodor equals medical thriller goodness. A father's genetic engineering results in a super intelligent child that is able to hide his psychopathy from his parents, while manipulating and killing for his own end game. Written in 1990, this novel is even more engaging to the modern reader, as these technologies are on the verge of exploding into the everyday.



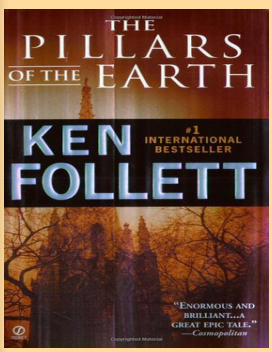
Barry Eisler - A Clean Kill in Tokyo
Previously published as Rain Fall

A middle-aged assassin who's fit enough to overpower his opponents when necessary, but experienced enough to make the kills look like accidents. The earlier books in the series are dated technology-wise, but the stories are engaging and worth picking up.



Tom Robbins - Still Life with Woodpecker

First, the story takes place within a pack of cigarettes. Second, it's deep: "When we're incomplete, we're always searching for somebody to complete us. When, after a few years or a few months of a relationship, we find that we're still unfulfilled, we blame our partners and take up with somebody more promising. This can go on and on--series polygamy--until we admit that while a partner can add sweet dimensions to our lives, we, each of us, are responsible for our own fulfillment. Nobody else can provide it for us, and to believe otherwise is to delude ourselves dangerously and to program for eventual failure every



Ken Follett - The Pillars of the Earth

Set in 12th century England, this book follows the paths of multiple lives through the harsh realities of the Middle Ages. Faithful priests resist the heavy yolk of corrupt clergy; citizens struggle for survival in an environment bereft of a social safety net, and subjugated women gain wealth in the face of patriarchy. The threat of violence and duplicitous nature of humanity keeps the reader invested in the characters —- and always wondering if his/her favorite will live another day.

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Total Film (October 2015)

Total Film is the world's best movie magazine, a monthly digest of what's hot in the empire of movie culture. Each issue offers in-depth features on the biggest movies - both mainstream and arthouse. You'll find the latest movie news, reviews of all the new releases, star interviews, on-set reports and an extensive home entertainment guide that rates all the new releases in dvd, blu-ray, videogames, books and soundtracks. If you love movies, then Total Film Magazine is your unmissable monthly companion...,

Official PlayStation Magazine UK (October 2015)

The ultimate guide to PlayStation gaming, offering complete coverage of PS4, PS3 and PS Vita

The ultimate guide to all of your PlayStation gaming needs. Famed for our trademark biting opinion, unique spin on news, offbeat, innovative features, independent reviews and retro features - and with PS4 the unquestionable victor for new-gen gaming - there's never been a better time to join Team OPM on our PlayStation journey...,

3D World (October 2015)

The best-selling international magazine for 3D artists

3D World magazine is the world's biggest-selling monthly title for the 3D artist covering all aspects of the CG creation, including animation, visual effects, videogames and architectural visualisation, and includes expert training in apps such as 3ds max, Maya, Cinema 4D, ZBrush, LightWave, Vue, Photoshop and After Effects. Every issue of the magazine features an artist showcase, the making of features and reviews of new products...,

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Follow our steps to keep money flowing during retirement.

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What Digital Camera (October 2015)

Published by Time Inc. (UK) Ltd The UK's best digital photography magazine provides the most in-depth digital equipment reviews and is the magazine you can trust to help you decide which digital products to buy from cameras to scanners, printers to software. The first digital photography magazine in the UK, What Digital Camera is still the best selling buyer's guide on the market. Packed with authoritative, independent reviews of the latest gear, from DSLRs and compacts, to lenses, flashguns and software, it also offers impartial buying advice, easy to follow tutorials on getting the best from your camera and inspirational features on photographers' own gear...,

BBC Good Food UK (September 2015)

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Good Food is the UK's biggest selling food magazine, packed with triple-tested recipes and practical ideas for every meal occasion. From weekday suppers to relaxed weekend lunches, recipes are seasonal and work the first time. In every issue: 100+ triple-tested recipes, everyday cooking,weekend ideas, seasonal ingredients, TV chefs, inspirational photographs and practical advice...,

Smart Photography (September 2015)

India's Number 1 Imaging Magazine

India's leading photography magazine, Smart Photography brings you the latest updates in the world of photography every month. The magazine has a rich readership that include both amateur and professional photographers and the ever-growing community of photography enthusiasts. To cater to such broad readership, Smart Photography leverages on original content in the form of news, equipment reviews, tutorials, Photoshop techniques, interviews and portfolios of photographers, and technical features...,

What Hi-Fi? Sound and Vision UK (October 2015)

The World's number one hi-fi and entertainment magazine

What Hi-Fi? Sound and Vision is the world's leading independent guide to buying and owning hi-fi and home cinema products. Our comprehensive tests help you buy the best equipment for your cash, with the magazine's advice sections giving you step-by-step information on how to get even more from your music and movies...,

SciFi Now Issue 110 (2015)

Fresh, stylish and authoritative, the award-winning SciFiNow is the ultimate monthly guide to science-fiction and fantasy. Offering exclusive behind-the-scenes features, on-set reports, A-list interviews and more, the magazine gives readers invaluable insight into the ever-changing industry. Every issue also includes a unique retro sci-fi section dedicated to the best – and sometimes worst – films and shows of sci-fi past, as well as a section devoted entirely to the very best in SF literature, making SciFiNow the best choice for anyone who's ever wanted to wield a lightsaber...,

Game Name : Rocket League
Developers : Psyonix
Score : 9/10 (4.5/5 stars)
Reviewed by : HuLkWaR

What makes the perfect, or nearly perfect game? Whether it's graphics, the story, gameplay? Everyone will propose something different and probably be right. But there`s one thing in common - such a game is to enjoy playing. When all pieces come together, when everything is just as it should be, all of that while leaving you stuck in front of the screen, then we can say that the developers have done something really special. Rocket League may not be the perfect game, but it`s devilish close and is one of the most entertaining games I`ve had the opportunity to play in the past few years.

Rocket League is a futuristic sport in which you will not see 21 superstars running around the field, but it also is not some sort of gladiator competition in which Tina Turner closes people in cages while the mass is yelling "***Thunderdome! Thunderdome!***". In fact you can control the cars that are irresistibly reminiscent of remote-controlled cars, just in a giant performance, and they are trying to insert an oversized ball into the opposing goal. Football with cars? Perhaps. You can find out by downloading this action-packed, sports themed, demolition game from Kickass Torrents.

Comparison with football is somehow inevitable. The teams, which may be made up of 1 - 4 players, running around a specially designed arena to score a goal. And these are all the rules…no foul, the ball cannot fly from the ground because it was under the dome, and there is almost a second five-minute break during the match. You receive the starting signal and, in an incredible adrenaline rush, everyone rushes to the ball which usually results in spectacular collisions.

Basics of the game are very simple. In addition to the typical controls for maneuvering, cars have nitro drive and the ability to jump. While in the air, car can be rotated to facilitate the preparation for the shot or to take another run and quick turn aside by the selected axis allowing you to hit the ball stronger. But if you use nitro while in the air, your car becomes a real small rocket. The physical model is great and all this also includes the inertia and acceleration, and advanced maneuvers will not be so easy to perform until you are completely used to the mechanics of the game. It is possible to combine all of these features in very spectacular spins that will not only delight audiences but are very useful for the defense. And yes, it is even possible to ride on the walls and ceiling.

If you look at the main screen of the game, you will notice how much attention is dedicated to online matches and generally playing with other players. Content for "soloists" is reduced to an absolute minimum - exhibition matches against computer-driven vehicles with 3 levels of difficulty and the season in which you will meet the same thing, only against the AI thematic teams. While the AI is very useful as a substitute for a player who leaves a match (and a great alternative to playing with a lack of players), at some points it often seems as if you're playing alone against everyone.

A recently published patch brought a smaller stadium with the theme of ancient sorrows, although it is essentially the same except smaller. The developers explained that this move was made so that we first get used to the mechanics of the game, and that later the free patches will add some weirder arenas.

If I had to describe Rocket League in only two words the best description would be "just right". From how it looks, the roar of the audience during matches and ease of control, Rocket League is tailored with incredible attention by people who knew exactly how to make a game that would be simple enough for everyone to learn how to play. This is the most pleasant surprise of the year, a game that will long be installed and played on everyone`s PC. And all for one reason - it's a great feeling to play it. Which brings me to the final question - why are you not playing Rocket League now ? Download a free copy of the game **HERE**

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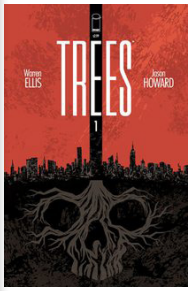
Hiya Katalyst readers, back again for another issue of KATs very own and increasingly popular Katalyst - So I either done something right first time around or everyone involved is just as crazy as I suspected.

Right then - Comics!! We got them all here at KAT and if they not here then we WILL get them for you, anything that has been scanned, that means everything that is basically available within our piratey realm is getable for the good people at KAT (I best include the bad and the ugly people that frequent the site as well - wouldn't want anyone to feel lest out) but my favorite and apparently a large portion of torrent using comic readers are the new releases - EVERY Wednesday I make it my goal to bring to you all the new releases that are bought to us by the outstanding efforts of all at Minutemen, Empire, DCP and Novus - these are the scanner groups - who, at their own expense give us the weekly offerings from all the main publishers and the increasingly excellent independant publishing houses as well - In fact I started uploading because these independants were not being made available (as torrents) anywhere near as much as the big boys like Marvel and DC Comics - many of them were not being made available at all outside of the weekly packs by the awesome shipjolly - So, in short KAT IS the place to be to get your fix of 0-Day releases in torrent form - I can only guess at the volume of users that visit KAT to grab the 0-day offerings but according to my bitclient it is alot.
So that's that - Every Wednesday as far as torrents as concerned KAT is comic central a fact that I am very proud of, but what is what? Marvel and DC are by all accounts the leaders of the comics popularity race and everyone seems to know about them, but what else is out there that eats up the bandwidth when it hits the site?

Of course there are the titles backed by TV shows and games, such as The Walking Dead, Injustice - Gods Among Us and Batman Arkham Knight I mentioned their popularity last issue.

Marvel have been at the top of the stack as far a sales goes for some time now, so what about Image? A publisher formed by artists who just were not happy with the way that Marvel treated them - they got to be good right? Right!! - In my opinion they are responsible for some outstanding titles at the moment - What follow is a brief description of some of Images more popular titles. (Descriptions from various sources)

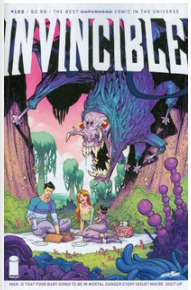


Trees

An ongoing series from Warren Ellis and Jason Howard following the lives of multiple protagonists years after the first intelligent alien life makes contact with Earth, but neither interacts with nor acknowledges humanity's presence. Last issue uploaded - Trees #12.

Rat Queens

Ongoing fantasy series starring a foul-mouthed, all female mercenary group, by writher Kurtis J. Wiebe and artist John Upchurch. Last issue uploaded - Rat Queens #11.



Invincible

Girls, acne, homework, supervillains. When you're a teenager it pays to be Invincible. Mark Grayson was just an average kid living in a world full of super heroes. It wasn't until he was a teenager that he gained fantastic powers thanks to his biological father Omni-Man. He was able to fly faster than a jet, lift buildings like Hercules, and battle acne like Proactive. Girls, homework, super villains, it's just another day in the life of the one and only Invincible. Join Mark Grayson in his incredible adventures into the unknown and catch some astonishing surprises while you're at it. This is probably the best superhero comic in the entire universe, or so it claims. Last issue uploaded -

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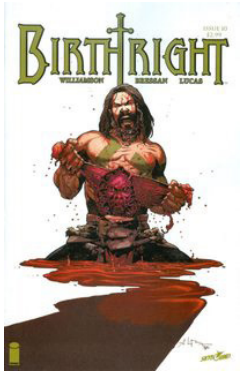
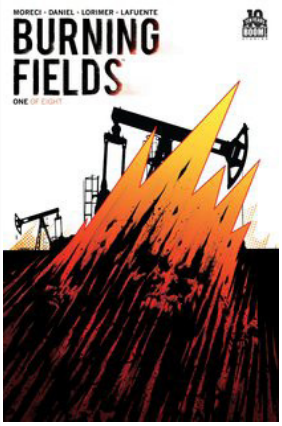


Birthright

For the Rhodes family, losing their son was the most devastating thing that could've ever occurred… but it couldn't prepare them for what happened when he returned. This adventure series from writer Joshua Williamson and artist Andrei Bressan has just concluded after a ten issue run, but will return after an unspecified break. Last issue uploaded - Birthright #10 (also Birthright #01-10 pack)

That is just a small selection of the current ongoing titles from Image, and while they appear to be highly popular using download figures they may not include the issues that you are waiting for on a Wednesday afternoon - What follows is a kind of Best of the Rest type deal - this time not by publisher, but genre.

When you mention comics to most people their first thoughts are of Superheroes, Supervillains or the kids 'funnies'. However, I do get asked for a lot of Horror comics and some of the current titles are pretty damn good. Here's a sample from the July Horror Comic Top 5.



Burning Fields, publisher - BOOM

Dana Atkinson, a dishonorably discharged army investigator, is pulled back to the Middle East when a group of American oil technicians disappear under bizarre circumstances. With the help of an Iraqi investigator, what Dana discovers is unimaginable: a series of unusual incidents at the drill site lead her and her unlikely ally to discover a mythic evil that has been released, one that threatens both the lives of the entire region and the fragile peace that exists. The 8th and final part of this series is scheduled to be released on 16th September - the complete set or issues #01-07 will be/ are available right here @KAT.

Another comicbook staple has got to be sci-fi and there is one thing lots of readers enjoy more than anything else and that's a good crossover, thusly the sci-fi choice is going to include a Superhero title as well -

Star Trek/Green Lantern

Planet of the Apes, Doctor Who, X-Men, Legion of Superheroes are all titles to have previously shared a title with my choice for sci-fi - Star Trek now pairing up with The Green Lantern Corp to bring us a six-part limited series. The crew of the U.S.S. Enterprise meets the Green Lantern Corps for the first time in an all-new adventure that spans the cosmos! THE SPECTRUM WAR, as Kirk and Spock make a most unusual discovery on a lost world... igniting events that will change the fate of empires!

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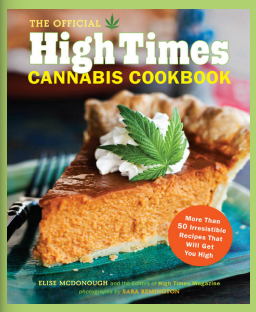
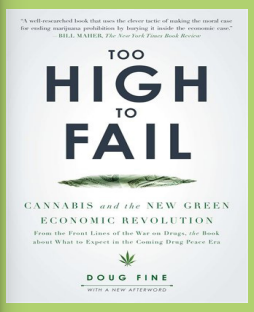


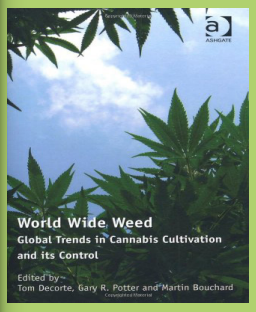
The Official High Times Cannabis Cookbook (2012)

This illustrated cookbook includes 50 recipes for everything from pesto, barbeque sauce, and tamales to refreshing cocktails and loads of new desserts. Throughout, 'budding chefs will get to know the stony science of cannabis cooking and discover delicious treats courtesy of High Times magazine. Including accessible and informative ideas on creating cannabis bases and butters, effects and dosages, and other aspects of cooking with marijuana, this book caters to beginners and advanced pot cooks alike. This is the ultimate collection of mouthwatering ganja-riffic recipes from the authority on getting high.



Too High To Fail (2013)

The nation's economy is in trouble, but one cash crop has the potential to turn it around: cannabis. ABC News reports that underground cannabis industry produces $35.8 billion in annual revenues. But, thanks to Nixon and the War on Drugs, marijuana is still synonymous with heroin on the federal level even though it has won mainstream acceptance. Too High to Fail is an objectively (if humorously) reported account of how one plant can change the shape of our country, culturally, politically, and economically. It covers everything from a brief history of hemp to an insider's perspective on a growing season in Mendocino County, where cannabis drives 80 percent of the economy.


World Wide Weed
Global Trends in Cannabis Cultivation and its Control
Edited by—
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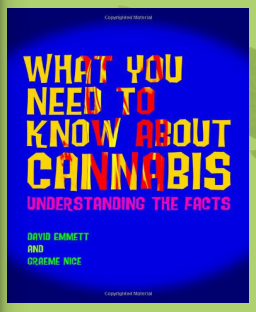
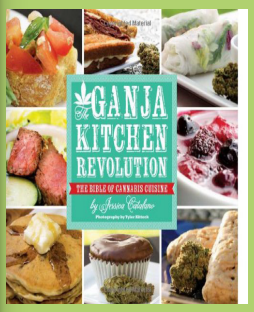
World Wide Weed - Global Trends in Cannabis Cultivation and its Control (2011)

For the majority of its history, the cultivation of cannabis did not stand out, at least compared to the cultivation of other illegal plants. Cannabis plantations, like coca bush or opium poppy plantations, were typically large in size, grown by local farmers in a handful of developing (producing) countries, processed and then exported to industrial (consuming) nations. While cocaine and heroin are still produced in a handful of developing countries, cannabis cultivation is increasingly universal.



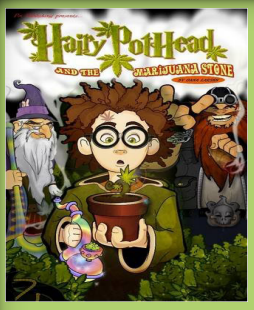
What You Need to Know About Cannabis (2008)

Does cannabis really trigger schizophrenia? Is it true that cannabis is a non-addictive drug? What's the difference between hash and skunk?
According to the UN's estimate, 160 million people around the world use cannabis; that's roughly 2.5 per cent of the world population. Despite these figures, most people have a profound lack of knowledge about cannabis, made all the more dangerous by the changing nature of the drug itself, with much higher levels of potency being seen today than ever before. What You Need to Know About Cannabis offers accessible, accurate and objective information about the drug, allowing the reader draw their own conclusion.



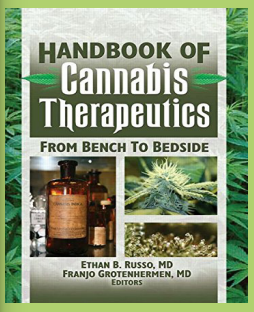
The Ganja Kitchen Revolution - The Bible of Cannabis Cuisine (2012)

Written for all levels of kitchen skill, The Ganja Kitchen Revolution explores a whole host of international culinary influences and pairs every recipe with a cannabis strain whose flavor complements that of the dish — creating a whole new type of cannabis cuisine than spans the globe! With extraction methods that include oils, extracts, nut butters, and the infamous cannabutter, The Ganja Kitchen Revolution allows the reader to medicate more recipes than ever before while ensuring that the joy of eating is never compromised in the process. The revolutionary new dosing chart means that finding the right dose has never been easier. With comprehensive step-by-step photos for every recipe, anyone can create fantastic medicated dishes. This book will change the way we all cook with cannabis.



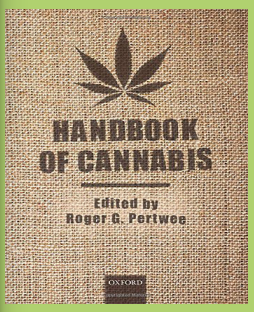
Hairy Pothead & the Marijuana Stone (2008)

Hairy Pothead thinks he is an ordinary boy - until he is rescued by a biker, gets a glass bong, rides the magic bus, lives in a Cannabis Castle, attends Hempwards School of Herbcraft and Weedery, learns to play Qannabbi, does battle with a policeman, and smokes tons of marijuana. The reason: Hairy Pothead is a Weedster! Come and meet Master Head Alwaze Duinthadope, Professor Moruvva McGanjagal, Professor Vacuous Vape, and all the rest of the Hempwards staff! Hairy Pothead is a hilarious and subversive parody which will be enjoyed by anyone who gets a kick out of cannabis.



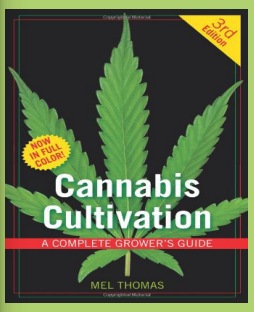
Handbook of Cannabis Therapeutics - From Bench to Bedside (2006)

The Handbook of Cannabis Therapeutics: From Bench to Bedside sets aside the condemnation and hysteria of society's view of cannabis to concentrate on the medically sound aspects of cannabis therapeutics. The world's foremost experts provide a reasoned, thoroughly researched overview of the controversial subject of cannabis, from its history as a medicine through its latest therapeutic uses. The latest studies on the botany, history, biochemistry, pharmacology, toxicology, clinical use for various illnesses such as AIDS, epilepsy, and multiple sclerosis, and side effects of marijuana are all examined and discussed in depth.



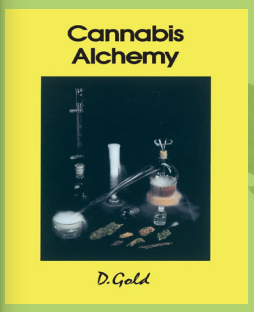
Handbook of Cannabis (Handbooks in Psychopharmacology) (2014)

Truly global in scope and with contributions from leading researchers around the world, The Handbook of Cannabis is the definitive resource on this fascinating drug. Combining scientific perspectives and clinical applications, it covers a vast array of topics, from why over the centuries cannabis has been used as a medicine, through the regulations facing those wishing to self-administer cannabis or provide cannabis-based medicines, to the chemical structure of its many constituents and the rapidly growing group of synthetic cannabinoids that are currently being used for 'legal highs'.



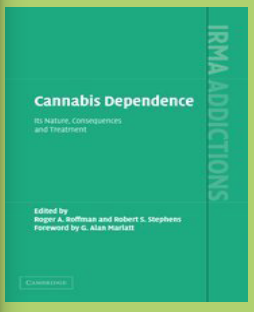
Cannabis Cultivation - A Complete Grower's Guide - 3rd Edition (2012)

Fully updated, the third edition of this classic book is now in full color! Excellent diagrams and images throughout show how to set up anything from a closet grow to a full size marijuana farm. Detailed information is given on both lighting and the associated electricity consumption, including all of the latest developments regarding lamps and off-grid electricity generation. Outdoor growing is also extensively covered and different techniques are fully explained, enabling anyone to cultivate high quality buds, either discreetly in your back yard or at a remote grow area, all at very little cost and just the way nature intended.



Cannabis Alchemy: The Art of Modern Hashmaking (1993)

Cult classic, revised and updated. Alchemist D. Gold reveals the inner world of marijuana and hashish, uncovering secrets and modern techniques to enhance potency. First published in 1974, the original edition of Cannabis Alchemy sold over 100,000 copies, making this one of the all-time best sellers of the counterculture.



Cannabis Dependence - Its Nature, Consequences and Treatment (2006)

Cannabis dependence is controversial. What are the health and behavioral risks of becoming cannabis-dependent? What counseling approaches have been tested with adults and adolescents, and how effective are they? What are the arguments for legalization, regulation, or prohibition? Looking back and toward the future, what do we know and what do we need to learn? This state-of-the-science review sets out to answer all such questions, beginning with an historical examination and moving into diagnosis, classification, epidemiology, public health, policy, issues relating to regulation and prohibition, and evidence-based interventions.

By WarhoundOne

A Familiar House

The year is 1990, my father and my mother are having a sabbatical year and as I was back in Aubagne, France, I received a phone call if I wanted to join them at Paul Ricard for the French Grand Prix. Little did I know with that race weekend I would see one of the classic races in the history of F1. My father had taken an interest in a team called Leyton House, who had performed some memorable drives in the 1988 and 1989 seasons. Now Leyton House's CG901 was introduced, designed by none other than Adrian Newey, who we now know as the Technical Director of Red Bull Racing. The car was aerodynamically probably the most advanced on the grid but was lacking power, it was just not able to get all the way to the front.

We arrived on Thursday and immediately went to the circuit to see the sights and sounds of the preparations for the things to come, my father as always walking around like a little boy in a candy shop and my mother in tow, who kept on commenting on how loud those engines were. In these days access to everything was much easier, you could just walk by all the pit boxes and talk to whomever you wanted, so walking by the teams took more than 4 hours as my father grabbed anyone he could find to talk to. At the Leyton House pit box he talked to a few technicians and they were saying how Ricard was making it hard for the chassis to perform well.

The Friday came around and Nigel Mansell tuned his Ferrari in such a way that he seemed untouchable. Sitting in the grandstands we saw him obliterate everyone, including the ever perfect Alain Prost. His qualification time stood even into Saturday, especially because the conditions were changing. Berger, in the McLaren claimed 2nd and Ayrton Senna was 3rd. Prost only got 4th as he blew his qualification engine and had to set a time in the car he would have to use in the actual race. Leyton House qualified an obscure 7th and 10th. Ricard this year was posing a problem, the C compound tyres were too soft and the B compound too hard, everyone had to make a choice on which one would be best for them. In those days there were only a few compounds of the Goodyear brand, this was before the big tyre wars of the 90's-2000's. Tyres back in those days were huge compared to the ones you see now, the rear ones were especially big and broad.

Race day was here and after we had walked the grounds for a few hours, buying a ridiculous amount of new merchandise, we got to our grandstand seats. My father settled himself in and could not stop talking about Ricard's last time as a French Grand Prix and how Magny Cours would give much better races. Engines began firing every so often across from us, the sweet, harmonic sounds of F1 engines bouncing against the almost empty grandstand filled our ears every so often. Slowly the stands started filling with people and the grid was filling up with cars and personnel to do what needed to be done. No tyre blankets or electronics hooked up to the cars in those days, the cars still had clutches and gearboxes. "Just imagine going around a corner at 200 km/h and having to shift up in that cockpit" my father said to me. I laughed and said to him, "you keep forgetting I am 6'6" papa, I would not fit." "Silence, he said laughingly, I said IMAGINE, not do!" We laughed as this was a returning conversation every time we spoke about F1.

All the people started leaving the grid as the engines were fired up, the drones of the engines making the grandstand rumble, the vibrations flowing through our bodies, getting stuck in our stomachs, Red light…… silence…. and they were off in a blast of demonic howling and screeching, Mansell and Berger making it to turn one, Mansell dipped in first only for Berger to make an amazing move on him at 'Signes'. They blasted by the first time, Berger in the lead with Mansell second, Senna short behind him. Then a turquoise flash, Capelli having a dogfight with the Belgian Boutsen in the Williams, my father's attention turned to the Leyton House team rather than the front runners. By lap 28, Senna had moved into the lead as Berger dove into the pit to change his tyres, he had a shocking stop, same as Senna who emerged 8th behind Piquet. Now, everyone's attention started turning to the Leyton House team as they had not pitted, moving Capelli into the lead. His teammate Maurizio Gugelmin from Brazil. Leyton House was running 1-2 and my father was on his feet every time they blasted by, Gugelmin in 2nd holding off Prost for almost 20 laps. Then a puff of smoke as Gugelmin blasted by making my father jump up and down screaming "Oh no!!! Please don't let him break down!!!", two corners later the Judd engine had given up the ghost and Gugelmin's daring act came to a fiery end.

Prost closed on Capelli, but the Leyton House due to running higher revs than normal for straight speed made him not able to overtake, the gap between the two stayed around the second. With 3 laps to go Prost attacked in the double right hander that follows the 'Signes' corner, Capelli was, unbeknownst to Prost, already struggling as his engine was about to give up. Touching tyres, Prost made his way around Capelli and here they came for the last time over the line, Prost, Capelli and Senna.

The crowd roared, the engines were barely audible as the crowd noise was drowning it out, a Leyton House employee jumped over the pit wall to greet Capelli as he limped over the finish line, *Leyton House had made history*, it put Adrian Newey into the established designer corner, and with over 40 laps in the lead the team made history that day. My father was crying, my mother was looking around bewildered asking "why are we crying?" She did not understand what had happened that day.

To me, to this day, it will always be proof that the current day teams who moan about how teams are so uneven in the competition, need to forever hold their peace as the Leyton House outfit proved that it takes more than just money to do well in F1. It is my belief if Leyton House had not run into the issues with its owner being arrested and the brand going to sea, it would still be running and be one of the top teams!

Some people say that those years, mid 80's until mid 90's, were the golden years of F1, but I still find something to be excited about every year it is on. One cannot simply reminisce on the past all the time, you can cherish your memories but in F1, *the only way is forward* as our own lives should be led as well.

By OptimusPr1me

Silly Jokes

From KAT users for KAT users

A husband exclaims to his wife one day, "Your butt is getting really big. It's bigger than the BBQ grill!"
Later that night in bed, the husband makes some advances towards his wife, who completely brushes him off.
"What's wrong?" he asks.
She answers, "Do you really think I'm going to fire up this big-ass grill for one little weenie?"

A man asks his wife, "What would you do if I won the lottery?"
His wife says, "Take half and leave your lazy ass!"
The man replies, "Great! I won 12 bucks, here is six, now get out!"

A man walked in to a bar and said, "I'll have a pint of less, please."
"Less?" the barman replies, "what's that?"
"I don't know either," the man said, "but my doctor told me to drink less!!

A farmer walks into his bedroom carrying a lamb under his arm.
He walks over to his wife who's laying in bed.
"See!" he yells, "This is the pig I have to have sex with whenever you get one of your headaches!"
The wife says, "You know that's a lamb under your arm, don't you?"
The farmer says, "I wasn't talking to you.

A three-year old walks over to a pregnant lady while waiting with his mother in a Doctor's office.
"Why is your stomach so big?" – he asks.
"I´m having a baby." – she replies.
"Is the baby in your stomach?" – he asks, with his big eyes.
"Yes, it is." – she says.
"Is it a good baby?" – he asks, with a puzzled look.
"Oh, yes. He's a really good baby." – the lady replies.
Shocked and surprised, he asks: "Then why did you eat him?"

As an airplane is about to crash, a female passenger jumps up frantically and announces, "If I'm going to die, I want to die feeling like a woman."
She removes all her clothing and asks, "Is there someone on this plane who is man enough to make me feel like a woman?"
A man stands up, removes his shirt and says, "Here, iron this!"

A lady walked into a drugstore and told the pharmacist she needed some cyanide right away.
The pharmacist naturally was concerned by such a request and asked, "Why in the world do you need cyanide?"
The lady then explained that she needed it to poison her husband.
The pharmacist's eyes got big and he said, "I can't give you cyanide to kill your husband! That's against the law! I'll lose my license. They'll throw both of us in jail and bad things will happen! Absolutely not! You cannot have any cyanide!"
The lady reached into her purse and pulled out a picture of her husband in bed with the pharmacist's wife.
The pharmacist looked at the picture and replied, "Well, now. You didn't tell me you had a prescription!"

POETRY CORNER

By watertiger

Alone and Still

Being alone
Is not being lonely
Loneliness comes to those
Who have no best friend
In themselves and feel apart
From the oneness of all
Spending time alone, quietly
Is simple and soothing
For there's no need
For mediating our universes
To confront and negotiate
Their wants and needs
Facing adrenaline junkies
Noisemakers on war-footing
Or compulsive merrymakers
There's only one challenge:
Harnessing my own mind

By wee_wewie

Sympathy Monster

Shadows hid in plain sight
The beauty obscured by the dark
The clarity balms yet never soothes
That rage calling upon the calm

Where would this lead
Troubles brewing in
Can't stop this vision of being lucid
The horror it'll unleashed when it begin

Evade it if you wish
That darkness will lingered by
When you thought you're going unnoticed
Yet the falseness revealed itself

Failure was never a choice
Perfect rhythm throughout the chaos
That monster waiting to be released
Run run along, for it'll catch you with it's sympathy

By watertiger

Tryst

The dusk of a hot bucolic summer day
The land is at rest
Bathed in warm red-gold
A buzzing of countless insects
A concert of countless crickets
A balmy odour of earth, flowers, herbs, trees
A hushed rustling of leaves in a gentle evening breeze
Drowsy bird songs fill the air
The underbrush enlivens
Winged acrobats appear for a festive tryst
Prudently, to banquet on seeds
Wary, in stunning exotic dresses
With voices like wondrous calling cards
They approach from all sides
I sit enchanted
Nestled in a snug blanket
And enjoy the show
Delightful scents, colours, and sounds
For a magical time of unspoiled bliss
While they gain confidence
In this strange still creature
That does not vie with them

By cRAYz

Maroon Beret

I'm what others do not want to be
Seen the face of death,
Felt the cold of fear
Keep my heart near
Courage, Faith & Honor
The message is quite clear

To serve,
and save someone's life.
To pull them out of the fight
With all your might

My job wasn't evil,
Nor insane.
Just the opposite,
Saving lives in pain,
Was what i had to gain.

Wearing the maroon beret
Doing your best
No room for error
It puts you to the test
To always do your best

Hands steady as a rock,
To keep you from going into shock.
There with the precious blood
When others bleed in the mud.

To do this everyday
Risking your life for others
So they don't have to pay
Is what I did everyday.

Too light now this one
Could be all those glees
Just need a bit tightening up
Now let's see the next one up

How do I get this one right?
Heavier now I always mess it up
Tinker here tinker there
Aye, this one too dark to be on tryout

Something's wrong somewhere
They still won't let me in
I'll just pick something else then
Rejected layers boxed in, loads more to pin

By wee_wewie

Performing For The Circle

To be invited into the circle
To belong somehow, somewhere
Where do I start, where to begin?
Let's check the box, masks I've retained

This one feels tight
Must be the breeze from all those frowns
Should I maybe loosen it up?
Let's check the very top of the pile

Too light now this one
Could be all those glees
Just need a bit tightening up
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By cRAYz

Desert Storm

President Bush set the date,
for the liberation of Kuwait.
Sadaam Hussein was on the run,
Desert Storm had begun.

No one paid attention
or tried to understand
The problems in the Middle East
that would soon be here at hand
Off to a foreign land
with all that sand

The sirens are wailing that creepy sound,
we all stop & drop to the ground
Scared with a racing pulse
waiting to hear that the warning is false.

Feeling the tremor through the mud
Impacts we hear
Will the next be anywhere near?

The siren screams
Haunting my dreams

Hearing a distant thud,

Standing tall, with my head held high
Hoping I would not die.

Death & destruction all around
Too much to view,
All the damage
and pain I went through
The images of such an ordeal
How are you supposed to feel?

Disruption of life,
Loneliness too.
Doing the job
I was sent there to do.

We must never forget
What we had to endure
I just hope there is a cure.

Surviving every attack,
Just to make it back,
without my name on the "Fallen Plaque"
Get me out of Iraq..

We are constantly reminded that
the "Storm's" not over yet.
Our troops are thought so highly of
when they are called to war
But when it's all over
They're not remembered anymore.

No more of the sand
the heat and the wind
Desert Storm's finally at an end.

By wee_wewie

Open Your Eyes

The clouds,
started to part.
Rays of light,
shimmering up high.
The shadows,
linger it may.
Yet the darkness,
held at bay.
Open your eyes.

By cRAYz

Brother-In-Arms

In this far strange land
A place I call home
Lots of space to roam
In all this sand
My brother in arms

A life we had to live
everything to give
My brother in arms

My last day in this desert
In this sand, where I stand
I hope I never come back
To this barren land.
My brother in arms

Brothers I ate with
Fought with
Bled with
With my last breath
I'll stand by you
My brother in arms

We'll fight to the end
Just as we did before
we'll win this battle
Blood on our hands
Side by side
My brother in arms

Though I nearly died
I was never alone
You never deserted me
My brother in arms

It's a life we live
Until we do no more
Everyone has to die
My brother in arms

This war will never end
How much money must we spend?
The stakes are too high
How many more must die?

As we live our lives
Beyond and after
May we stand together
Forever as brothers in arms

By cRAYz

Boots In The Sand

Got my boots in the sand,
Not a worry in the world,
A M16 in my hand
I'm alive today, I'm alive today

Our C130 touched down just about 3 o'clock
And this war is on my mind
Ammo & camo danced in my head
As were headed for the front line

Armored Hummers are there own demise,
With roadside IED's in disguise

Time to deploy
Get to the convoy
Let's see what we can destroy

Hate this war i'm fighting in
Where do we begin?

Surrounded by sand
I'm not coming back to this barren land.
It's time to take a stand.

Got my boots in the sand,
Not a worry in the world,
A M16 in my hand
I'm alive today, I'm going home today

DawnStar Interview

DawnStar is a name that is probably familiar to those of us who are involved in the KAT community. In the world of Kickasstorrents she is a skilled writer and blogger, a Super User, and the Head Writer for the KATalyst magazine. In the offline world she is a Canadian business owner. Recently I had the opportunity to peer a bit deeper into both of those worlds.

Q: I always wonder about the origin of screen names. What do they mean to the user? Is there a story behind the name?

A: The day I switched my screen name to DawnStar I was looking for a cool name that I felt represented me. Dawne is my middle name - and I have two tattoos (both are in memory of my parents) that have butterflies incorporated. I knew about the DC comic heroine, and thought it was a great name that represents who I am. Since then most people know about my butterfly fascination and know I use images of butterflies all the time on KAT.

Q: "Familiarity breeds contempt," is a old proverb. You have noted that you live near the sea, and that you have sometimes taken it for granted. I find myself wondering if you have overcome the tendency to take it for granted? Do you ever have a "beach day?"

A: As I travel the world more, I realize that where I live is breathtaking and represents a way of life I don't think I could live anywhere else. The sea is so integral to my inner well being that even if I chose to live somewhere else, I would have to live by the sea. I do take beach days! The Atlantic Ocean isn't quite the same as the Caribbean though. Even in August the water is chilly - but there is nothing like having a dip in the ocean on a hot day.

Q: You have been able to travel to some interesting places, and I love that you have noticed the relaxed atmosphere that seems to be a feature of what I will call "island life." Is there one place that you have visited that you enjoyed above all others? Also, what place would be your "dream destination," assuming that time and money were of no consequence?

A: Without a second thought, my favorite vacation is the UK - London specifically. If circumstances ever allow it, I would jump at the opportunity to live there for a year. I'm a huge history buff and there is so much history there. For my dream vacation – it's Egypt. I don't think I'll ever get there, but I would go in a second if "life" allowed it.

Q: It's time to make reservations for that needed getaway. Are you staying at a 5-star modern hotel or a Victorian Bed & Breakfast?

A: A 5 star hotel every time - my husband teases me often when we're booking trips that I'm a hotel snob. I really don't care about cost- I want to be comfortable and I'm willing to pay for quality. I highly recommend it!

Q: I know that you are not unfamiliar with tequila. Have you ever tried Mezcal - tequila's "cousin" with the worm floating around on the bottom?

A: NO WAY! I am the worst bug freak and could never drink something that had a worm in it. My familiarity with tequila is a painful memory and I'm happy to say that I have not repeated the experience. Drinking until I vomit just doesn't hold the same intrigue at 44 as it did at 20!

Q: Country singer Joe Nichols has a song entitled, "Tequila Makes Her Clothes Fall Off." This assertion is: true, false, or no comment?

A: For me personally - hmmm....no comment. A girl never tells…!

Q: Your audiobook uploads offer us a little bit of everything, from fiction to history. Is there a particular genre of literature that you enjoy more than others? Favorite author? Favorite book?

A: I really enjoy anything involving vampires/werewolves/mystical circumstances etc., so Sci-Fi/Fantasy. These are the types of books I read most. But I do enjoy biographies and true crime as well. My favorite book is To Kill a Mockingbird. I read it first in grade 10 English and have probably read it more than a dozen times since.

Q: I joined KAT about an hour ago. The main two pieces of advice that you'd offer me would be...

A: First - never hesitate to ask a question or for advice because there are a lot of good people here that are more than willing to help. Second - there has to be a few a$$holes mixed in, so if you get one of those don't take it personally and don't engage. There are tons of wonderful members and staff who will go above and beyond to help users, new and old.

Q: I have read and enjoyed your words about your journey to become a SU. Some advice you received "There is no 'right' way or guide to becoming a SU." In my experience KAT often seems as though "all bases are covered" and it can be difficult to find a "niche" to fill. Now that you are a Super User what is your advice, if any, for others who may be "struggling" to find meaningful ways to contribute to the site?

A: I did struggle to find a niche. The advice I give is to wait. Be active on the site. Get involved on the threads. I was on the site for almost 2 years before becoming a SU, and I believe it took that long for me to learn all of the ins and outs, and yes, to finally find my place.

Q: KAT operates through the combined efforts of many people. That being said, in an online community we can often look back and point to one particular person who we see as being instrumental or perhaps a "mentor" to us.

A: I have had many people help and encourage me - too many to mention. I didn't get here on my own. The person I most admire on the site is definitely AhrimanThorn. Although I will never meet him, he and I both agreed that we clicked. I count him as a person I know I would enjoy having as a real life friend.

Q: If you upload at KAT, you should do so because:

A: It is what this site is all about. Sharing. Whether it's uploading or seeding everything you download. But if you do upload - do it because you love it, not for the reputation and thanks, because the thanks rarely ever comes.

Q: Finally, can you tell us about who you are in your own words?

A: I'm married to a wonderful man who is also a member of KAT (no, we didn't meet on KAT). We have our own business. We have 5 dogs. I come from a very large family, but don't have any children of my own. My guilty pleasures are reality shows and KAT of course, which I often do at the same time. I love being involved in the KATalyst and enjoy writing!

by Guest Writer Killer.Frost

Death Metal Sampler - *Nile - 22 Years Of Technical Death*

Death metal band ***Nile*** was formed in 1993 in Greenville, South Carolina by lead vocalist-guitarist Karl Sanders, Chief Spires (vocals/bass), and drummer Pete Hammoura. The band's lineup has changed several times over the years, with Karl Sanders remaining the sole founding member. The current lineup consists of Sanders, Dallas Toler-Wade (vocals, guitar), and drummer George Kollias - who is often referred to as one of the best death metal drummers in the business. ***Nile*** typically hires a bassist when touring, having had some difficulty in keeping that position filled in the past.

Their sound has been described as notable due to its complexity, speed, and the use of downtuned guitars - for those "in the know," Sanders has stated in an online interview (Moshville Times) that ***Nile*** uses "Drop-A tuning." The group is normally described as a technical death metal band with lyrical themes rooted in ancient Egyptian mythology. According to Sanders, "the name came first, and then the content...if I were listening to a death metal band called ***Nile***, what would I expect to hear?"

Sanders, who is the group's primary songwriter, also finds inspiration for his lyrics in other sources such as the writings of H.P. Lovecraft. For instance, the group's debut album *Amongst The Catacombs Of Nephren-Ka*, takes its name from a character mentioned in Lovecraft's short story, The Haunter Of The Dark. A consistent feature of ***Nile***'s albums has been the inclusion of liner notes in which Sanders explains the inspiration for each of his songs.

If you want to dive into the world of death metal, ***Nile*** may be a good place to start. At the time of this writing, they have released 7 studio albums, all of which are currently available on KAT.

Nile's latest album, entitled *What Should Not Be Unearthed*, was released on August 28, 2015.

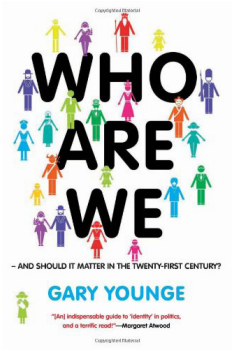
by Guest Writer Killer.Frost

Moose-chan Books

I am Moose-chan, an uploader of non-fiction books. I have been a member of KAT for a year now, moving from Uploader to VUL, and finally to Elite Uploader. I started uploading because I had a lot of ebooks and I was able to get video games and music from torrents. My favourite types of non-fiction books are physical sciences and social sciences, with lots of referencVes and footnotes. For fiction, I like science fiction, fantasy, and historical fiction.

Moose's Recommendation

All book titles are clickable torrent links



Who Are We – And Should It Matter in the 21st Century? by Gary Younge

From those who insist that Barack Obama is Muslim to the European legislators who go to extraordinary lengths to ban items of clothing worn by a tiny percentage of their populations, Gary Younge shows, in this fascinating, witty, and provocative examination of the enduring legacy and obsession with identity in politics and everyday life, that how we define ourselves informs every aspect of our social, political, and personal lives.
Younge--a black British male of Caribbean descent living in Brooklyn, New York, who speaks fluent Russian and French--travels the planet in search of answers to why identity is so combustible. From Tiger Woods' legacy to the scandal over Danish cartoons of the Prophet Mohammed, he finds that identity is inescapable, but solidarity may not be as elusive as we fear.

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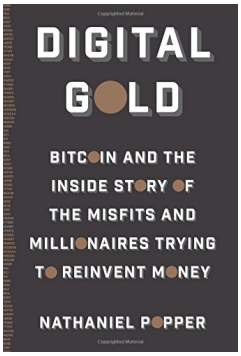
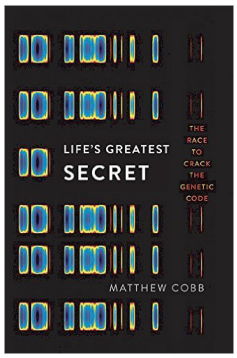


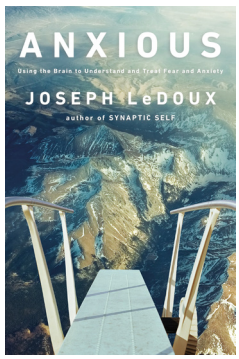
Digital Gold: Bitcoin and the Inside Story of the Misfits and Millionaires Trying to Reinvent Money by Nathaniel Popper

The notion of a new currency, maintained by the computers of users around the world, has been the butt of many jokes, but that has not stopped it from growing into a technology worth billions of dollars, supported by the hordes of followers who have come to view it as the most important new idea since the creation of the Internet. Believers from Beijing to Buenos Aires see the potential for a financial system free from banks and governments. More than just a tech industry fad, Bitcoin has threatened to decentralize some of society's most basic institutions.



Life's Greatest Secret: The Race to Crack the Genetic Code by Matthew Cobb

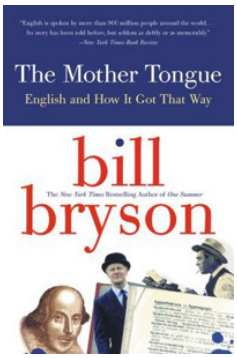
Everyone has heard of the story of DNA as the story of Watson and Crick and Rosalind Franklin, but knowing the structure of DNA was only a part of a greater struggle to understand life's secrets. Life's Greatest Secret is the story of the discovery and cracking of the genetic code, the thing that ultimately enables a spiraling molecule to give rise to the life that exists all around us. This great scientific breakthrough has had farreaching consequences for how we understand ourselves and our place in the natural world, and for how we might take control of our (and life's) future.



Anxious: Using the Brain to Understand and Treat Fear and Anxiety by Joseph LeDoux

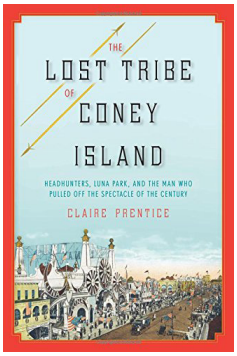
Collectively, anxiety disorders are our most prevalent psychiatric problem, affecting about forty million adults in the United States. In Anxious, Joseph LeDoux, whose NYU lab has been at the forefront of research efforts to understand and treat fear and anxiety, explains the range of these disorders, their origins, and discoveries that can restore sufferers to normalcy.

LeDoux's groundbreaking premise is that we've been thinking about fear and anxiety in the wrong way. These are not innate states waiting to be unleashed from the brain, but experiences that we assemble cognitively.



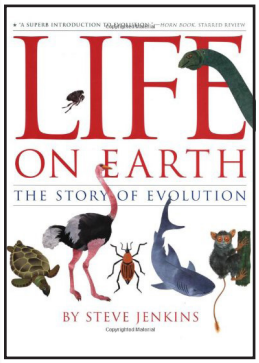
The Mother Tongue: English and How It Got That Way by Bill Bryson

With dazzling wit and astonishing insight, Bill Bryson—the acclaimed author of The Lost Continent—brilliantly explores the remarkable history, eccentricities, resilience and sheer fun of the English language. From the first descent of the larynx into the throat (why you can talk but your dog can't), to the fine lost art of swearing, Bryson tells the fascinating, often uproarious story of an inadequate, second-rate tongue of peasants that developed into one of the world's largest growth industries.



The Lost Tribe of Coney Island: Headhunters, Luna Park, and the Man Who Pulled Off the Spectacle of the Century by Claire Prentice

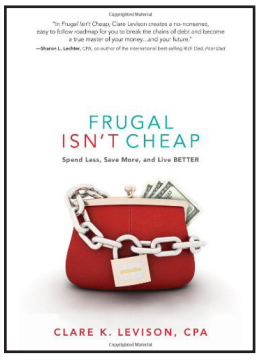
For the first time, The Lost Tribe of Coney Island unearths the incredible true story of the Igorrotes, a group of "headhunting, dog eating" tribespeople brought to America from the Philippines by the opportunistic showman Truman K. Hunt. At Luna Park, the g-string-clad Filipinos performed native dances and rituals before a wide-eyed public in a mocked-up tribal village. Millions of Americans flocked to see the tribespeople slaughter live dogs for their daily canine feasts and to hear thrilling tales of headhunting. The Igorrotes became a national sensation—they were written up in newspaper headlines, portrayed in cartoons, and even featured in advertising jingles, all fueled by Truman's brilliant publicity stunts.



Life on Earth: The Story of Evolution by Steve Jenkins

There are millions of different kinds of plants and animals living on the earth. Many millions more lived here in the past. Where did they all come from? Why have some become extinct and others lived on?

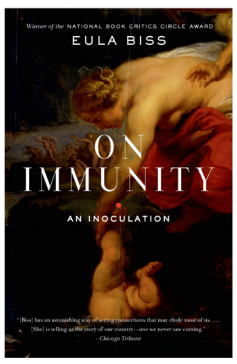
In this remarkable book for children, Steve Jenkins explores the fascinating history of life on earth and the awe-inspiring story of evolution, Charles Darwin's great contribution to modern science.



Frugal Isn't Cheap: Spend Less, Save More, and Live Better by Clare Levison

In Frugal Isn't Cheap, Clare Levison serves up practical financial advice with a side of southern charm. Filled with real-life stories, it will challenge you to change the way you think about money.

Her message is deceptively simple and clear: it's cool to be smart about your money; it's stylish to be sensible rather than overindulgent; financial stability is more glamorous than extravagance. But cut up the credit cards? No way. Levison prefers to promote responsibility rather than abstinence. She takes a realistic approach to personal finance that we can all live



On Immunity: An Inoculation by Eula Biss

Upon becoming a new mother, Eula Biss addresses a chronic condition of fear—fear of the government, the medical establishment, and what is in your child's air, food, mattress, medicine, and vaccines. She finds that you cannot immunize your child, or yourself, from the world.

In this bold, fascinating book, Biss investigates the metaphors and myths surrounding our conception of immunity and its implications for the individual and the social body. As she hears more and more fears about vaccines, Biss researches what they mean for her own child, her immediate community, America, and the world, both historically and in the present moment. She extends a conversation with other mothers to meditations on Voltaire's Candide, Bram Stoker's Dracula, Rachel Carson's Silent Spring, Susan Sontag's AIDS and Its Metaphors, and beyond. On Immunity is a moving account of how we are all interconnected—our bodies and our fat

With so many applications being released every few days, an important question arises…which one(s) to choose? So, here are some of the applications that I feel are the most useful...

EaseUS Data Recovery Wizard 8.6 Professional: Have you ever wanted to go back in time so that you can recover your lost data? We all have. Well, it's quite possible and with a lot of efficiency too. With EaseUS Data Recovery Wizard 8.6 Professional, you can choose your file type (e.g. - PDF, Folders, and Word files, Other etc.), choose which drive to recover them from and swoosh!!! This program scans the selected drive for the specified file types and finds the file you are looking for in the blink of an eye. In my opinion, it's a "must-have".

Connectify Hotspot & Dispatch Pro 9: An awesome application that helps you do countless things where the internet is concerned. Both Hotspot & Dispatch are included in 1 installation. Connectify Hotspot lets you share your computer's Internet connection with other devices over Wi-Fi. You can use Dispatch to multiply 2 connections to have unbelievable speeds! For example, if you have 3 connections; 4G, WiFi and Ethernet, you can use Dispatch to merge their bandwidth and increase your speed that can even make torrents download up to 5 MB/s!!! With Hotspot, you can share your internet connection with your friends without providing your password. You can make a new Network name, new Password and secure your connection with WPA2!!! It's fast, reliable and stable. I'd say, go and grab it!!

Adobe Photoshop CC 2015: The best image editing tool there is. If you are into photography, this is a must have…and I mean it!! You can edit photographs, create graphics, design your own wallpapers and much more!! There are an endless number of possibilities with Adobe Photoshop CC 2015. You can design logos for your YouTube Channel, Facebook Profile etc. With the new Art Boards feature, you can even design web pages! It is also a great choice for designers!

TechSmith Camtasia Studio 8.5.1: You wanna have professional-looking screencasts, right? This is your best choice if that is the case. Edit video, add special effects and much more. This is great if you want to post video tutorials on YouTube. It offers high quality (720p and 1080p) MP4 exporting. Believe me, I use it myself! High quality intros and speech-to-text conversion are one of the many features of Camtasia Studio. This is a suite of programs that has
Camtasia Studio 8.5.1 AND **Camtasia Recorder 8.5.1 combined**.

All the above are available on KAT and are very good applications. I recommend grabbing them right away!

By Guest WriterTechie5879

eBook Review - Genre Macabre - Robert Chambers and The King In Yellow

Robert William Chambers (1865-1933) was an American writer from New York. The son of a wealthy lawyer and a direct descendant of the founder of Providence, Rhode Island, Chambers became a prolific author and a contributor to some well known publications of his day, including *Vogue* magazine. Although his work encompasses multiple genres, including romance and historical fiction, his most influential contribution to the literary world is a work entitled *The King In Yellow*.

This is an 1895 collection of short stories, the majority of which are classified as "weird," "horror," or "supernatural" in nature. Some of the most well known include:

The Repairer Of Reputations - the victim of a severe head injury has dreams of grandeur and reflects upon life in a somewhat dystopian version of 1920's America.
The Mask - Boris, a sculptor, and Jack, a painter, are in love with Genevieve. When Boris invents a substance that turns living matter into sculpture, Genevieve falls into it. Boris then commits suicide and Jack moves into his home with the "statue" of Genevieve.
In The Court Of The Dragon - a man finds himself confronted by an unearthly church organist, and later finds himself on the shore of Lake Hali, in or near the lost city of Carcosa.
The Yellow Sign - a painter and his model find themselves troubled and haunted by dreams after she gifts him with a pendant carrying a strange design.

The King In Yellow takes its title from the name of a fictional play which is used as a recurring motif throughout several of the stories. The play, also called *"The King In Yellow"* is said to consist of an Act 1 and an Act 2. Act 1 is a "normal" play. However, Act 2 is said to drive its readers insane with the (unspecified) knowledge that it reveals. While Chambers never fully expanded upon *The King In Yellow*, he cites it throughout the work and in some cases directly "quotes" from Act 1 to introduce his stories.

Chambers' fictional play is accompanied by the appearance of other unique plot devices including an entity which is likewise known as *The King in Yellow* or "**The Yellow King**." The king, whose origins are not elaborated upon appears throughout the book as a malevolent entity, and can be summoned by simply possessing an equally enigmatic glyph or symbol called "The Yellow Sign." The sign, which is never described, seems to be unearthly in origin, perhaps originating from another planet or dimension. Chambers also refers many times to a ruined city called Carcosa, lost Carcosa, or dead Carcosa. While he doesn't describe the city in great detail, he does note that it was located on a planet with two moons, very near to the shore of a "Lake Hali." He strongly implies that Carcosa somehow met its end at the hands of the Yellow King.

Readers who are familiar with early horror or "weird" literature will probably recognize some of the names that Chambers employed in *The King In Yellow*. It is commonly pointed out that the author borrowed many of his names and place names from the writings of Ambrose Pierce (i.e. Carcosa, Hastur, Lake Hali). However, it was Chambers' use of the names in his writings that influenced other authors such as H.P. Lovecraft. Lovecraft referred to Lake Hali and the Yellow Sign in his 1931 short story, *The Whisperer In Darkness*. Later writers incorporated Chambers' ideas into the wide body of literature which is commonly called the "Cthulhu mythos." Hastur, for instance, became "Hastur The Unspeakable" and is mentioned alongside Cthulhu as a dreaded entity. In some instances the Yellow King is said to be an avatar of Hastur.

The King in Yellow and Other Horror Stories is currently available for download here on KAT. **Click Here**

by Guest Writer Killer.Frost

olderthangod Presents

The Turkey Farmer

He was old and wizened, he had seen many winters come and go, but on this day, his bones ached as he got out of bed and shuffled down the stairs to check his turkey coops. What he found made him sigh, there was a hole in the wire, with some blood and feathers scattered around. He knew it was a fox, it had happened before, but this time...this time he was going to stop it.

He repaired the wire, cleaned up the feathers and checked everything. He already knew one turkey was missing thanks to the fox. He made himself dinner, fed the turkeys, dragged out an old rocking chair and set it on the porch under a storm lantern.

That night, he loaded his old shotgun, put on his heavy winter coat and hat, got a blanket to wrap around his legs, laid the shotgun across his lap and prepared himself to wait for the fox to show up. It snowed heavily that night, the lantern only gave out a feeble light, but it was enough, any sounds that occurred during the night would carry in this weather, plus the turkeys would probably make a noise anyway, so he was confident.

There was no wind, just the biting cold and the snow, but he had been here many times, it didn't bother him too much. As the dawn broke, he awoke from an uneasy doze, stretched his old bones, shook off the blanket and went to check the turkeys...everything was ok, no missing birds and the wire was intact. He sighed, ok, he was patient, and he could outfox the fox.

The first and second nights were uneventful, the third night he awoke with a start, the noise from the turkey's told him they were in trouble. Once again he found torn wire and feathers with blood scattered around, he decided a different approach was needed. The old farmer made his preparations, and set out to track down the fox.

For two night's he trudged through the snow, following the fox tracks where he could, he was exhausted, cold and hungry, he sat for a while with his back against the bole of a tree. Suddenly he caught a small movement from the corner of his eye, he turned his head slowly to get a better view....nothing. Then he saw it again at the base of a large oak, there seemed to be a hole at the bottom of the trunk. He slowly eased forward on his hands and knees to get a better look, and he was surprised to see the tiny pink nose of a fox cub looking back at him, about a a week old he thought to himself. The cub was shivering so he scooped it up and put it inside his coat for the warmth. He reached further into the burrow and found the body of the vixen cold and stiff. So that's why his turkeys were being raided, she was feeding the cub.

The farmer eventually made it back home, dragged out an old laundry basket, lined it with a blanket and placed it in his kitchen close to the stove. Over time the old farmer and the cub got to know each other and the young cub would make squeaky noises and jump around as his dinner time approached. This went on for almost 8 months, by which time the fox was no longer a cub. The summer had come and gone and the cold weather was setting in again.

As usual, the old farmer shuffled down the stairs to check on the fox, the basket was empty, the turkey's were making a hell of a noise. He rushed outside and found a hole in the wire, with blood and feathers scattered around.

The Moral ?

Sometimes, we know not what we wish for.

What exactly is this Grab DMCA?

Grab DMCA is a Desktop Application. It's mainly designed for KAT. It is used for grabbing torrents that have already been deleted by the request of DMCA (Digital Millenium Copyright Act). It's very handy, since it is a portable Windows Application. So, no need for any installation. Unfortunately, the source code is not open yet.

There are two methods of using it...
1. You need the URL of the required torrent.
2. You need the hash code of the torrent.

Method #1
All you have to do is copy the URL of the torrent that you want to download, and paste the link in the first empty box provided and hit "Unlock this torrent".

Then the torrent will be unlocked and two options will appear, "Download Torrent" and "Use Magnetic Link". You can choose **either** of them.
In case of the "Download Torrent" doesn't work, then use "Magnetic Link" instead. FYI, both of them work perfectly!

Method #2
If you don't have the URL of the required torrent, you can use the hash of the torrent.

What is this Torrent Hash?

The hash is a string of alphanumeric characters (typically hexadecimal) in the .torrent file that the client uses to verify the data that is being transferred. "Hash" is the shorter form of the word "hashsum". Torrent files contain information like the file list, sizes, pieces, etc.
If you have the torrent hash then paste in the "Torrent Hash" option and click "Grab by Hash". Then it will redirect you to your default torrent client.

That's it, the DMCA has got nothing on you! Just you need a link or a hash that'll make deleted torrents reappear. Enjoy!!

By Guest Writer Sality

Silly Jokes

From KAT users for KAT users

Two jumper cables walk into a bar.
The Bartender says, “You guys better not start anything in here!”

A salesman comes to the Jones house and knocks on the door.
Little Johnny answers the door in his underwear, a can of beer in one hand and a cigarette in the other.
The smiling man says, “Hello, little boy, are your parents home?”
And Johnny says, “What do you think, Mister?”

“Mommy, what does bi-po-lar mean?”, said the young daughter.
“That is someone who changes moods for no apparent reason”, said the Mom.
“Like Daddy?” said the daughter?
“No, Daddy is just an asshole!!”, said the Mom.

A woman went to a pet shop & immediately spotted a large, beautiful parrot.
There was a sign on the cage that said $50.00, which seemed awfully cheap.
“Why so cheap?” she asked the pet store owner.
The owner looked at her seriously and said, “Look, I should tell you first that this bird used to live in a House of Prostitution and sometimes it says some pretty vulgar stuff.”
The woman thought about this, but decided she had to have the bird anyway.
She took it home and hung the bird’s cage up in her living room and waited for it to say something.
The bird looked around the room, then at her, and said, “New house, new madam.”
The woman was a bit shocked at the implication, but then found it kind of amusing.
When her 2 teenage daughters returned from school, the bird saw them enter and said, “New house, new madam, new girls.”
The girls and the woman were a bit offended, but then began to laugh about the situation considering how and where the parrot had been raised.
Moments later, the woman’s husband came home from work.
The bird looked at him and said, “Hi, Bob!”

Thanks to Al_Neuman, linfield, MG., DineshJackson, and teja5050 for these jokes.

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